

Weird Festivals

Welly Wanging

Do you like interesting sports? Have you got any green wellies*? Then you are ready for 'welly wanging'! Every year there is a Welly Wanging World Championship in Upperthong, a village in Yorkshire, England. What does 'welly wanging' mean? In Yorkshire they don't say 'throw' – they say 'wang'. In this sport, if you 'wang' your welly further than the others, you win. It's great fun! There are four competitions: for men, women, boys and girls. It's easy to 'wang' your welly, but it's more difficult to win. Adult winners get a trophy, and the children get some money – but not very much. Football and rugby are bigger sports, but welly wanging is more fun!

*wellington boots

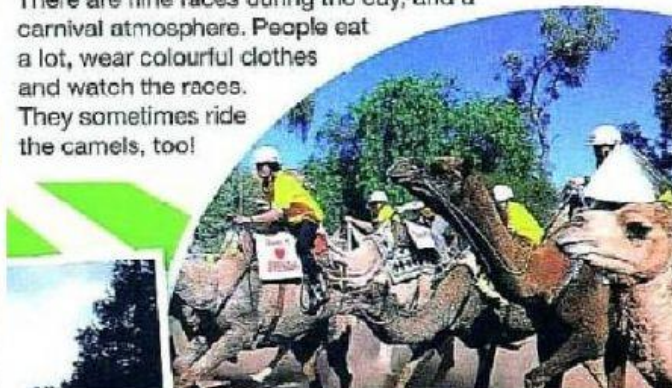


Camel Cup

The Camel Cup is a day of camel races in Alice Springs, Australia. Every July, 5,000 people from all over the world visit the festival.

The camels are slower (and uglier!) than horses, but faster than you think. They are noisy animals, and difficult to ride. It is very exciting to watch. It is also very funny.

There are nine races during the day, and a carnival atmosphere. People eat a lot, wear colourful clothes and watch the races. They sometimes ride the camels, too!



PART THREE

Read and listen to the text again and answer the questions.

1 In which country is the Welly Wanging Championship?

- A. Australia
- B. England

2 Which festival is Australian?

- A. Welly Wanging
- B. Camel Cup

3 How many people watch the Camel Cup?

- A. Five thousand people
- B. Five hundred people

4 In which festival do children win money?

- A. Welly Wanging
- B. Camel Cup

5 How many camel races are there during the day?

- A. 9 camel races.
- B. 19 camel races.

6 Which sport do you think is more dangerous?

- A. Welly Wanging
- B. Camel Cup

PART FOUR

YOUR CULTURE

Answer the questions.

(Just talk about the answers)

1 Is there an unusual festival in your country?

2 Where and when is it?

3 What do people do?

4 How many people visit the festival?

PART FIVE

Look at your answers in exercise 4. Compare your answers with your partner. Talk about the differences.